









Lost—On Sunday, 7th of May, 1871, a gold chain and locket, somewhere between London Thomas and the Presbyterian Church; the name of Annie engraved on locket. The finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving it at this office. m9-2w

It is now said that Gen. John M. Harlan will not accept the Radical nomination for Governor. The Georgetown Times thinks that Wadsworth, of Maysville, will be the victim selected for the gubernatorial sacrifice. We trust it may be some gentleman of good speaking ability, so that we may have a lively, interesting canvass all over the State. Leslie and Carlisle will be able to meet and overthrow the very ablest men that the Radicals can bring into the field. After next Wednesday we shall probably be able to say: "Clear the track, the riders are up!"

The National Democratic Executive Committee met at Washington on Saturday last, and laid their plans for distributing documents, &c. The committee also expressed the opinion that the Joint Committee of Congress, to investigate the condition of the South, ought to go South, and not remain in Washington and summon witnesses there. A good suggestion; and if not adopted, the committee might as well adjourn and go home, for all the good they will do. As it is not the policy or desire of a majority of that committee to arrive at a knowledge of the true state of affairs in the South, we have little hope that it will leave Washington.

THE LEXINGTON RACES.—The spring meeting of the Lexington Association will begin on Monday next, 22d inst.; and from all the indications we can gather, promises to be unusually brilliant. The stables of all the turfmen who have given it celebrity of late are full, and the stakes show a promising array of entries. With good weather, therefore, we cannot doubt there will be a large attendance.

In this connection we take occasion respectfully to request the officers of the railroad to run an extra train for the accommodation of persons living here and at intermediate points. By the regular train it is impossible for any one to witness a race unless he stays over all night. A train to start from Frankfort at 8 A. M., each day, and return, leaving at 5 P. M., would greatly accommodate the public and would pay well.

The Fleetwood race stables of Hunt Reynolds, Esq., passed up by rail yesterday from Nashville to Lexington, to be ready for the races which take place there next week. Mr. Reynolds took one purse at Nashville with his horse Harvey Villan, and ran a good race with Metella. The track was very heavy during the whole week. We are glad to learn that Mr. Reynolds' horses are in good condition.

KENTUCKY MILITARY INSTITUTE.—The academic session of this popular institution is drawing to a close. The annual examination of the various classes will begin on the 21st inst., and the commencement will take place on the 8th of June. The graduating class this year, we learn, comprises nine members.

A basket picnic and dance, of huge proportions, is to come off at Knight's Bridge, on Main Elkhorn, 6 miles north of Frankfort, next Sunday, May 20th. Everybody, with his wife, daughters, sons, and most distant relations, is invited to attend. Speeches will be made on the occasion, by P. U. Major, S. N. Hollies, and others. The most extensive arrangements have been made to insure it a grand picnic of the season.

LIFE OF GEN. R. B. LEE, by JOHN ESTES COOKE.—We are indebted to Mr. Moses Warren, Publisher and General Western Agent at Chicago, for a copy of the "Life of General Robert E. Lee," by Col. John Estlin Cooke, the well known gifted Virginia author, and issued from the press of that first-class publishing house, D. Appleton & Co., of New York. The book is a large octavo of some 580 pages, handsomely printed, and copiously illustrated, and in all respects, got up in the highest style of modern typographical art. It is sold only by subscription, and our readers may obtain it by sending their orders to Moses Warren, No. 50 Dearborn street Chicago.

It is almost needless for us to say anything to our Southern readers of the merits of a work prepared by Estlin Cooke. In fact, the gentleman's "Life of Stonewall Jackson," his "Story of Eagle's Nest," "Virginia Come-dians," and many other productions historical, biographical, and historical-romantic have made his name and genius too well known to the whole country for his "Life of Lee" to need any commendation from us. Then we have had time to read it, we shall be occasion to speak of it more critically and in detail.

JUDGE COOPER AND NEGRO TESTIMONY.—The Courier Journal publishes a lengthy charge of Judge M. H. Coker, of the 7th district of this State, instructing the grand jury to admit negro testimony in their investigations. Judge Coker says the negroes are citizens, and the right to testify is necessary for their protection and enjoyment of the rights guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States to all citizens; and the State Judge is bound by the clause of the State Constitution which recognizes the Constitution of the United States as the supreme law of the land. Judge Coker was Provost Marshal General of Joseph E. Johnson's army of the late Confederate States. We copy the Judge's charge in full in to day's Yeoman.

The military band, from the camp in South Frankfort, continues to discourse "eloquent music" every favorable afternoon to admiring crowds in front of the State House.

## THE SERIOUS FAMILY AT MAJOR HALL.

The amateur performance last Friday night at Major Hall, for the benefit of the Confederate Monumental Association, though not so great a success financially as we had fully expected and earnestly desired, was otherwise an entertainment of which none of the performers, who so kindly gave their services for the occasion, have any reason to be ashamed. And, although the large hall was not more than half-filled—owing, perhaps, to the many recent calls made upon the liberality of our citizens for objects of charity, both public and private—yet the hundred, or hundred and fifty persons present were from the very *crème de la crème* of Frankfort society; and the young ladies and gentlemen who appeared on the boards as the dramatic persons of *The Serious Family*, nothing abashed by the small size, but rather inspired by the selectness of their audience, acquitted themselves in a manner that would have led any stranger to believe that he was in the presence of a company nearly all the members of which were "stars" of no secondary magnitude. Nor are we alone in this opinion; we, in fact, but repeat the dictum of every one present with whom we have conversed. The *Serious Family*, though one of the best, is, nevertheless, one of the most difficult of the comedies that keep their place on the English and American stage; and yet it was rendered by this amateur company with telling effect—all its fine passages and striking situations were admirably represented; and, had the house been full, the performances would have elicited boisterous and unbounded applause, as it certainly did command the warm but comparatively silent commendation—the subdued applause—of the cultivated ladies and gentlemen present. We would be glad to go into particulars and bestow on each of the performers the discriminating praise which is their due; but, as they have chosen to hide themselves behind their initials, we must refrain. We cannot help saying, however, that we have never seen the leading characters of the play better represented, and the rest made as much out of their respective parts as was possible. Annie Sleek was the exact, solemn, long-faced, syncretistic, puritanical old hypocrite that the author intended. Lady Sowerby Creamly and Mrs. Charles Torrens, his dupes, were well conceived and well sustained throughout, the latter looking and acting the character of the living, faithful, but, for a while, misled, young wife to perfection. Sir Charles Torrens was the rich, gay, talented, and high-spirited young English gentleman to a P. Captain Murphy Magna re, we venture to say, was rarely, if ever, as well done by a professional as at Major Hall on Friday night. Lady Delphine and Emma Torrens were two beautiful and graceful young ladies out of real life—the first a gay, high-spirited, dashing woman of fashion, but with a heart true to all womanly instincts; and the other young and impulsive, and perfectly natural in her passionate utterances at being crossed in love; and Frank Vincent was as true to the life and to the character drawn by the playwright as talent and a fine person could make him.

By-the-by, we have heard the question repeatedly asked by persons who were present of each other, "Who do you think acted the best?" and we have heard it answered as variously as there are leading characters in the play. The first one answered Lady Delphine; the second replied Emma Torrens; the third, Mrs. Charles Torrens; the fourth, Captain Maguire; and so on.

We were permitted to insinuate a slight criticism, we should say to some of our young friends, that next time they would find it to their advantage, or rather that of their audience, if they would pitch their voices not too high, but so as to fill the hall, and speak slowly and distinctly enough for every one in the hall to hear. Every character in the play was dressed to perfection, the ladies splendidly and yet with admirable taste; and the whole "business" of the stage seemed to be well understood as if the parties had been familiar with all their lives.

A PISCICULTURAL STORY.—The Louisville Ledger relates a tragic story of a piscatorial Louisville man, who, armed with "one of the finest reels ever manufactured in Frankfort," penetrated far into the bowels of Clark county, Indiana, where he was thoughtless enough to go fishing on a Sunday. This, of course, is a violation of the statute law in that State as it is construed to be, by many, of number 4 of the Ten Commandments (thou shalt not covet the fish of thy neighbor's pond); and so, while our metropolitan d's (i. e. the red was quietly, but without success, pursuing his sport on the Sabbath, "with an occasional pull at his flask"—if our readers know what that is, and we shouldn't wonder if they did not—a constable came down on him, arrested and carried him before a rural Magistrate, who summarily sentenced him to the Jeffersonville Penitentiary for one year—meanwhile sending him to jail for an incidental "contempt of court," where for two days and nights he was heavily chained to a wall! According to the Ledger, the sentence to the Penitentiary would have been actually carried out but for a number of his friends, a Louisville man, who, hearing of his forlorn condition, rushed to the rescue, and induced Magistrate to let him off with a fine of \$25, and the confiscation of his "flask" and contents, his cigars, Frankfort reel, and other fishing tackle—such are the delights of fishing in Indiana on a Sunday. Our Louisville friend might have known he would come to grief; for, it was never intended by the manufacturer of that famous Frankfort reel that it should be used to violate the Sabbath in any State—beyond the Ohio.

Attention is called to the advertisement of Mr. Cass. Hayden, who proposes to open a class for the instruction of youths and young men in penmanship. Mr. Hayden is well known as an excellent scribe, besides possessing the capacity to impart the art successfully to others.

We are indebted to Mrs. Judge D. Hall for a specimen of rimular plant from her garden, some of the stalks of which measured three feet in length.

The river here has fallen some 7 or 8 feet since our last report, and is still falling.

## RADICAL COUNTY CONVENTION.

After considerable effort and long waiting a Radical County Convention, of some forty or fifty people, black and white, mostly residents of Frankfort, assembled at the courthouse in this city yesterday afternoon for the purpose of appointing delegates from Franklin county to their State Convention, which meets here to-morrow. W. H. Sneed was appointed Chairman, and Samuel R. Smith Secretary. On motion of Dr. Hatchitt, the postmaster here, the Chairman appointed the following named gentlemen a committee to draft resolutions and select delegates to the State Convention: John A. Bell, T. Pointer, E. T. Parrant, J. L. Scott, J. B. Lewis, J. G. Hatchitt, M. C. Johnson, and J. B. F. Stigers. Very soon after retiring, this committee returned and reported pretty much the same resolutions that Radical County Conventions elsewhere are adopting in this State, and particularly that one which commits the Radical party in favor of extraordinary privileges being granted by Kentucky to a Cincinnati railroad corporation. The resolutions were adopted *nem con*, of course, and the following delegates (we omit alternates) were appointed to represent this county in the State Convention:

FROM THE CITY.—T. J. Hutchinson, Saml. R. Smith, W. H. Sneed, W. H. Gray, O. Brown, J. G. Hatchitt, M. C. Johnson, Peter Smith, H. H. Trumbo, W. A. Gaines, H. G. Banta, John Thomas, and J. L. Scott.  
PEACE MILLS.—J. R. Gray and J. A. Bell.  
BALD KNOB.—Lloyd Hinkett.  
BRIDGEPORT.—E. T. Parrant and Jeff. Wilson.  
BEXXOS.—J. B. T. Stigers.  
LONGS ELKHORN.—H. M. Bradford and John Chambers.

The delegates were left uninstructed as to particular candidates, but were directed to vote for no man for any State office who would not pledge himself to canvass the State between this and the day of election. If the State Convention recognize the wisdom of this suggestion, as shall no doubt have a lively, contested canvass, which is exactly what every Democrat desires. Finally, the Convention recommended Mr. Samuel R. Smith as a member of the State Central Republican Committee.

On the whole, our Republican friends must admit that their County Convention was a tame, cut-and-dried, shilly-shally affair—a failure in fact. Let us hope that they will do better to-morrow.

We are indebted to the enterprising music publishing house of D. P. Faubt, No. 70 Main street, Louisville, for the following new music just issued from their press: "Greatest Love, a Moroccan Ballad," by C. Kinkel, inserted to Miss Bertie Eddy, of Wheeling; and "The Parting Kiss," a song and chorus, words by Charlie E. Stagg, and music by Chas. Gimbel, Jr., inserted to Miss May M. Whittier, of Pleasant Hill, Md.

The following paragraph, from the Louisville Commercial of yesterday, in reference to one of the incipient riots in that city, growing out of the admission of the negroes into the same street cars with the whites, is itself a masterly act of justice by a political opponent to "Democrats and men who served the Southern cause":

"A MASSY DEED.—We witnessed the scene when took place Friday evening in front of the Willard Hotel, and noticed several persons making an attempt to stir the excitement and prevent a conflict. We have since been informed that all these gentlemen were Confederate officers, and that they subjected themselves to the insults of the mob by the advice and mainly part they took to prevent the trouble which was pending. We are glad to give publicity to the fact, as we believe it is an indication of the general feeling among Democrats and men who served the Southern cause, if the example set by these young gentlemen is followed we will continue to enjoy peace and freedom from riot, bloodshed, and violence."

(For the Yeoman.)  
RAILROAD DIRECT FROM KENTUCKY TO WASHINGTON CITY AND BALTIMORE.

EDITOR YEOMAN: A railway from the two last named places to Harrisonburg, Virginia, is already completed. Nature has marked out the way for its extension to Covington, Virginia, and the Legislature has granted a charter for the purpose. It is proposed to continue it on up Potts creek and down Stony to the mouth of Wolf creek, on New river; up Wolf creek and through Giles, Tazewell, and Russell, to the head waters of West Fork of Sandy, and down it to Pickett or Prestonsburg, Kentucky; and then to unite with the railroads of Kentucky and Ohio and the West, making a grand Appian way to the Capital of the Union.

Will you examine the map; look at the geography and topography; read in connection General Johnston's report to the stockholders of the Shenandoah Valley Railroad Company as to the practicability of the route as far as Russell, and then answer for us the questions?

1st. Is not the route from Washington to the West?

2d. Will Kentucky unite with us, by connecting her railroads with this, and give us a little substantial aid by subscriptions of stock, land or money, along that portion extending into Kentucky?

3. Will the Legislature grant us a charter? VIRGINIA.

May 8, 1871.

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DECISIONS OF COURT OF APPEALS.  
(Reported expressly for the Kentucky Yeoman, by DANIEL JAMES, Attorney at Law, Frankfort.)

FRANKFORT, May 13, 1871.

CASES DECIDED.  
Burke & Co. vs. L. W. Jefferson; affirmed.  
Culbertson & Co. vs. Brannan & Co., Louisville Chancery; affirmed.

Allen v. Vaughan, Jefferson; affirmed.  
Johnson & Co. vs. Oust, Louisville Chancery; reversed.  
Mitchell vs. Whitmore, Jessamine; affirmed.

ORDERS.  
Faran & McLean vs. Schwartz & Co., Campbell; affirmed.  
Berry's heirs vs. Berry's executor, A. C. B. th; petition for rehearing overruled.

Kerr vs. Gibson, Louisville Chancery; agreement filed, order submission set aside, and cause continued.  
Applegate vs. Crane, Jefferson County Court; judgment, order granting appeal, and appeal bond filed, and appeal dismissed with damages.

FRANKFORT, May 15, 1871.

CASES DECIDED.  
Short's ex'or vs. Short, A. C. Hardin; reversed.  
Hudon's ex'or vs. Stephens, Louisville Chancery; reversed.  
Walker vs. Stevenson, Franklin; affirmed.  
Wintersmith & Co. vs. Goodin, A. C. Leno; reversed.

ORDERS.  
Raeon vs. Hudson's adm'r Kenton; petition for rehearing, verified.  
Harris vs. them, A. C. Louisville Chancery; petition for rehearing, verified.  
Kerr vs. Gibson, Louisville Chancery; agreement filed, order submission set aside, and cause continued.

(For the New Orleans Picayune.)  
WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

We doubt if there has ever been an institution of learning which possessed the sympathies and best wishes of an entire people as Washington and Lee University, at Lexington, Rockbridge county, in the Valley of Virginia, possesses the sympathies and best wishes of the people of the Southern States; and this feeling of deep interest is expressed by the people of the several States in vying with each other in endowing professorships in the different departments of the university.

This is no ordinary scheme. It is not to build up a State institution nor a church institution, neither is it intended that it shall interfere with the growth and development of State, church or other institutions of learning; but it is intended to make Washington and Lee University worthy the great names it bears, worthy the confidence and patronage of all parts of this country and of all the countries of the world, to make it an institution in which people of all political opinions and religious beliefs can unite in building up, developing and encouraging in every way; one in which a young man, after graduating in his own State or church school, can pursue his studies, in special branches, several years longer, and thus prepare himself thoroughly for literary, professional, scientific, commercial, manufacturing, mechanical, or agricultural pursuits.

One such university will exert a greater influence in elevating the standard of scholarship in our country than a dozen ordinary colleges or universities, and its growth and expansion will exert the most beneficial influence upon all other institutions of learning.

We are rejoiced to see the affections of prominent Confederate officers clustering around this institution, and the expression (see subjoined circular) of their interest in the success of the schemes for its endowment. They appreciate the importance of the enterprise, and they know that in the present impoverished condition of our Southern country we cannot have in each State such an institution as we would like to have, and under other circumstances might have; but by the people of each State uniting and endowing a chair in Washington and Lee University, we can have one that will meet most fully the wants of our section, for this is a new enterprise. The university already has a capital of about two hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), besides its buildings, apparatus, libraries, and real estate. It is upon this solid basis that the people in each of the several States are invited to unite in endowing a chair to bear the name of their respective State, thus identifying their State with the institution, and furnishing it with all the appliances for imparting thorough instruction.

This scheme is worthy the high source from which it emanated, and the hearty approval and support of all true friends of sound learning.

To our Friends in the United States:—The undersigned fully concurs in cordially expressing a deep interest in the growth of Washington and Lee University, and especially in its plans for practical instruction in applied science and the arts.

The singularly beautiful country and beautiful climate, where it is located secure to all unusual advantages. It is specially well adapted to historical associations, in earlier times as the recipient for their generous endowments, by George Washington and his fellow soldiers of the Revolution; and is consecrated, in our times, as the scene of the latest labors of the late Robert E. Lee.

His present President, General G. W. Custis Lee, is industriously laboring to carry forward the unfinished work of his illustrious father.

"The constitution of the University leaves it free from the control of any particular sect, State or section of the country."

"To secure an endowment sufficient to establish a University on the very broad basis for usefulness and renown, by contributions from the citizens of the several States for special professorships, we regard as a scientific, practical, highly advantageous, and entirely feasible, and we earnestly commend it to our friends, not only in the South, but throughout the United States."

W. J. Hardee, Selma, Ala.; Alex. P. Stewart, St. Louis, Mo.; R. S. Ewell, Spring Hill, Tenn.; C. M. Wilcox, New Orleans, La.; P. H. B. on, Lexington, Va.; J. S. Manigault, St. Louis, Mo.; State Hampton, South Carolina; Dabney H. Maury, Virginia; N. H. Harney, Yorkburg, Va.; A. Quarles, Cambridge, Tenn.; S. B. Forrest, Memphis; G. F. Beauregard, New Orleans, March 29, 1871; R. Taylor, New Orleans; S. B. Buckner, Louisville; J. B. Hood, New Orleans; Braxton Bragg, Mobile; To our friends in the South to states: J. A. Early, Lexington, Va.; J. B. Gordon, Atlanta, Ga.; R. L. Gibson, N. W. Orleans; Harry T. Hays, New Orleans; Raphael Semmes, Mobile; D. B. Hill, Charlotte, N. C.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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FRANKFORT, May 9, 1871. J. A. SETTLE.

JAS. D. FLYNN. N. J. LEONARD

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Persons desiring any thing in our line would do well to call before purchasing elsewhere.

FLYNN & LEONARD.

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AT FLEETWOOD FARM.

Bay Stallion, by Alexander's Arabian, dam Hudson, by Wagner, out of Pegasus, by Medoc.

Season, Thirty Dollars.

DE COURCEY.

Thorough-bred Percheron stallion, by imp. "The Colonel," out of imp. "Charlotte Corbis." This breed is horse and harness fast, heavy ever introduced into this country.

SEASON \$15.

Mares from a distance pastured at reasonable rates; every care taken to prevent accidents, but I will not be responsible. Mares not proving with foal can be returned next season free of charge.

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50 pieces black Alpaccas, of a very celebrated make, which I have sold with great credit.

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## WATER-SNAKES.

(From Appleton's Journal, April 29.)

Although the existence of the great American serpent may be reasonably doubted, it is a fact, well known to all seamen, that water-snakes are found in many parts of the world, though principally in the tropics.

Along the southern coast of Asia, in the waters that wash the shores of Hindostan, Siam, and the Malacca peninsula, there are in great abundance, averaging from three to six feet in length, and some of them present the same variegated hues that adorn many tropical fish with all the colors of the rainbow. I classify these snakes with fish, because there are many peculiarities common to both. Like the fish, these snakes are furnished with gills, seek in the water for their food, will bite freely at a baited hook, and are capable of living for a long time, if not wholly, in the water. I have frequently met with them out of sight of land, and that this was no casual circumstance, is proved by the fact that they were swimming about in large numbers, hundreds of them being in sight at the same time. When not darting about after their prey, they generally swam along with their head and neck erected nearly perpendicular to an elevation of from six to twelve inches above the water. In order that the reader may obtain a better idea of them and their habits, I will describe a scene as it actually occurred:

At the time, I was attached to one of our government vessels, bound on a mission with a special minister to perfect old treaties, or make new ones, with the semi-barbarous powers of Southern Asia and the East Indian archipelago. During the passage of the gulf of Siam, our ship was becalmed near the island of Pulo Obi, about three hundred miles from our destined port. The morning was fine and clear, not a breath of wind stirring, and the water so still that there was no perceptible motion to the ship—in fact, a perfect tropical calm.

The water around us was literally alive with snakes of every imaginable hue. Some were darting along with the sinuous motion peculiar to their species, but upon the water; but the greater number were nearly motionless, with head erect, as before described. Looking at those some distance off, it gave one the idea of an innumerable quantity of sticks, from two to four inches in diameter, floating independently, with their upper ends a few inches above the surface of the water.

Our scientific corps, consisting of three engineers, the hospital steward, and two lubberly boys, immediately abandoned the interesting work they had been engaged in that morning, and hurried on deck, where nearly all hands were already gathered viewing the wonderful and unusual scene. I may add that they had been trying to poison an old monkey of a peculiar species, whose skin they wished to preserve in good order. As often as the vessel containing the arsenic was handed to the old brute, she would drink the contents down and hand it back for more. Finally, after swallowing enough to have killed fifty men, without being affected by it, she was drowned in a tub of water.

But let us return to the snakes. Every possible means was devised to capture some of them, scoops, nets, harpoons, buckets towing astern, ship-hooks trailing from yard-arms and jib-booms, but all in vain—they were too active and agile. I caught in a bucket or net they sprang out before reaching the deck; some were cut in two by the harpoons, and they all seemed to have as much horror of the noise as a contained murderer. At last some one suggested trying a hook and line, and soon a dozen or more were towing overboard from every available part of the ship.

These efforts were not immediately crowned with success, and the surgeon applied for a boat, in order that he might try his separate at close quarters, but this the old Commodore peremptorily refused, for the snakes were supposed to be poisonous, and two or three of them jumping about in a boat full of men might produce fatal consequences. The men were ready for the fun, but, as subsequent events proved, it was well that the Commodore remained firm.

Finding that salt meat for bait was useless, for the snakes frequently came up and snatched it without biting, a chicken was killed and one hook supplied with a morsel. Scarcely had it touched the water when there was a rush, a splash of many gleamed light, and in a few seconds the first victim was hauled on deck. Here he jumped around furiously, but did not seem to possess the power of locomotion that his land brethren have. The first proceeding was to test the question of poison. The armorer, furnished with a large pair of blacksmith's tongs, caught the snake firmly just back of his head, and with a pair of pinchers pulled out the hook. A chicken was then brought and held so that the snake could close his jaws upon him just under the wing. A quick bite was given, though the snake's neck was still firmly held in the tongs.

The surgeon had more success with this unfortunate fowl than he had been favored with in the case of a monkey, for in less than four minutes it was lying dead on deck. More books were now baited, and soon a dozen snakes were secured, the largest one being five feet nine inches long and fourteen inches in girth around the body. The others were of different lengths, but the average was about four feet.

When brought aboard, the armorer's tongs and a sharp knife being brought into requisition, they were soon rendered harmless, and their bodies placed in spirits for future scientific observation. These snakes all bore a general resemblance to the common fresh water eel in everything except color, which was as variable as that of the living dolphin.

Old sailors sometimes swim yards about these snakes getting aboard of ships at anchor by working their way up along the cables and entering the hawseholes, but such yarns may be classed with those concerning "the great American sea serpent," and the manufactured monster of Silver Lake.

**The First Stain.**  
Did any of our young readers ever think how little it takes to stain their characters? A single drop of ink secures a very small thing, yet dropped into a tumbler of clear pure water, it blackens the whole. And so the first oath, the first lie, the first glass may seem very trivial, yet, depend upon it my young friends, they leave dark stains upon your character. Look out for the first stain. Remember that small vices lead to great crimes, and that every little vice is a stain upon your character; and remember, too, that if you continue to indulge these vices, the stain grows darker until your whole soul is blackened. It is a very easy matter to brush aside the single drop and not heed it, but when drops enough have been united to form a torrent, it sweeps on with irresistible force. So with the little vices; it is a comparatively easy thing to rid ourselves of them at the beginning, but if we allow ourselves to indulge them, they will soon have a mighty power over us.

Young friends, look out for the first stain.

**The Men who Succeed in Business.**—By no means the least useful and interesting portions of a live newspaper are found in the columns edited by the public, that is to say, the advertising department. No matter how well the editorials may be written, or how graphically the news may be presented, one of these carefully elaborated or judiciously condensed columns "come home to the business and business" of some readers more effectively than new advertisements do others. When the advertising columns are arranged by day, by week, by month, repeated day after day and month after month, people tire of seeing them. They are not features of busy, but of stagnant life. But, when advertisements, new every morning, short, crisp, and to the point, meet the reader's eye, he feels that the world moves, and he is inspired to move with it. There is something inspiring and cheerful, encouraging and hopeful, in the very look of well-filled advertising columns. The men who succeed best in business and keep up with the times are those who not only read the advertisements diligently, but who do their share in keeping them "ever changing, ever new."—*Philadelphia Ledger.*

Some ladies use paint as fillers to resin, to aid them in drawing a beau.

When, in the course of human events, A good nice dinner be your intents, Large nice Hams, both firm and hard, Kegs of snow white fresh pure Lard, Eggs, Butter, Pickle, Oysters fine, Reliable Spices of every kind;

Sugar, Coffee, Tea, and Sauces, Tongues, Mutton, Pork, and Suasage; Eleven Bread or Flour to make it, Very nice or do not take it; Even get some fresh nice Fish, Now each of these you sure must dish; Stevens is the man who keeps 'em,

None for cheapness here can beat 'em, Everything in this grocery mine, Will surely please the people fine.

Before you buy at another Stall, Always come, give me a call; Cause I will send goods to your table, On the back of Trusty Gabel, Nor think this acrostic all a fable.

ST. CLAIR ST. BET. MAIN & MARKET, FRANKFORT, KY.

Feb 25-M

**THE BRIDAL CHAMBER.**  
ESSAYS FOR YOUNG MEN  
ON Great Social Evils and Abuses,  
WHICH INTERFERE WITH MARRIAGE.  
With numerous illustrations of theerring and unfortunate, diseased and abandoned. Sent in sealed letter envelopes, free of charge. Address: HOWARD SANITARY AID ASSOCIATION, No. 100 N. 3rd Street, Philadelphia Pa.  
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**VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE.**

A TWO-STORY BRICK RESIDENCE OF 12 ROOMS, on Market and Wilkinson Streets, and adjoining the residence of one of the 20 and two stories high, with a two-story stable attached. Enquire of

R. A. BRAWNER, Frankfort.

**GENERAL LAWS**

OF THE  
**STATE OF KENTUCKY,**

Passed at the adjourned session of the Legislature of 1869-'70.

Are now published, and can be had at the office of the Lane, by order of the printer, sent by mail, postage paid, upon the receipt of

**ONE DOLLAR.**

**FOR SALE.**

A Comfortable House and Lot ON THE CORNER OF BROADWAY AND Washington Streets, the lot fronts 50 feet on Washington Street, and 100 feet on Broadway, extending to Long Lane. Also

A GOOD BUILDING LOT, fronting 30 feet on Broadway, and 100 feet on Long Lane, by corner lots. For terms apply to

L. A. THOMAS, Jan 13-34

**FRANKLIN COUNTY LAND FOR SALE.**

DESIRING TO CHANGE LOCATION, I WILL sell the land on which I now reside, situated on Kentucky river, 2 1/2 miles from Freeport, 2 1/2 miles from Frankfort and Lawrenceburg Turnpike Road, supported by strong

**225 ACRES,**

100 acres clear of the balance in wood land and grass, comfortable house, containing liveries, and a hall, bath, smoke and ice house, and other necessary outbuildings, with a small orchard and other fruit. Terms cash. Address

A. T. DICKINSON, Farmdale Post-office, Franklin County, Ky. Jan 25-dwitt

**DANIEL BOONE DISTILLERY, Frankfort, Ky.**

**LEWIS CASTLEMAN, Proprietor**

KEEPS CONSTANTLY ON HAND COPPER WHISKY of his own manufacture, from two years old down, which he offers for sale to the trade on reasonable terms for cash.

**Dissolution of Partnership.**

THE FIRM OF MURRAY, ZIEGLER, & CO., in the Lumber business, was dissolved the 30th day of July last, and has never been re-associated. Persons indebted to or having claims against the firm, are requested to come forward at once and settle them up.

**MURRAY, ZIEGLER, & CO**  
S. B. L. H. MURRAY & CO., still continue in the Lumber business at their Mill, half mile below Frankfort, on the river road. 66-25-17

## NEW FIRM!

A. L. McKEE having purchased the interest of W. H. GRAY, or the firm of GRAY & WALCUTT,

The firm will be known as

**Walcutt & McKee,**

Who will conduct the business at the old stand. We invite an inspection of our stock, and pledge ourselves to sell at as

**LOW RATES**

As they can be bought anywhere in the city. We will always keep on hand a choice and well-selected Stock of

**FAMILY GROCERIES**

Give us a call.

WALCUTT & McKEE.

**M. E. JETT.**

**New Hardware & Grocery Store**

St. Clair Street, near the Bridge

Has opened, and offers for sale, at the

**LOWEST PRICES**

AN EXTENSIVE STOCK OF

**BUILDER'S HARDWARE, TABLE & POCKET CUTLERY, HORSE SHOES, NAILS,**

And such articles as are usually kept in a

**FIRST-CLASS HARDWARE STORE.**

Also a full assortment

**Family Groceries.**

**SUGAR, COFFEE, SPICES, TEA, & C.**

He keeps constantly on hand,

**Flour of the Best Brands, MEAL, BRAN, AND SHIP-STUFFS.**

dec 1

**NEW GROCERY**

**L. W. GLORIE,**

HAVING bought out John W. Bartlett, has filled up his stock and now has a large and well-selected assortment of

**Family Groceries,** which he will sell at very low figures for cash.

In addition to his Grocery Stock, he will keep a full supply of

**Baker's Bread, Confectionaries, Nuts, Fruits** &c. Also Fresh Meats, Fowls, and Vegetables of all kinds. dec 17

**NEW BACON.**

**L. TOBIN**

HAS for sale an excellent article of New Bacon which he will sell at Louisville prices. He asks friends and customers to call and examine it. dec 17

**BERKSHIRE SWINE FOR SALE.**

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